AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 8, line 13, please replace the original paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

-- Figure 2 is a diagram showing the alignment of the amino acid sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 2 and the amino acid sequence of NP_055259.1. (SEQ ID NO: 3)--

AMENDMENTS TO THE SEQUENCE LISTING

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Please replace the Sequence Listing of record with the Substitute Sequence Listing enclosed herewith.